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## FORM TA-2

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## III. Federal Information Law and Requirements.

SEC's Collection of Information: An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number. Under Sections 17, 17A(c) and 23(a) of the Act and the rules and regulations thereunder, the SEC is authorized to solicit from registered transfer agents the information required to be supplied on Form TA-2. The filing of this Form is mandatory for all registered transfer agents. The information will be used for the principal purpose of regulating registered transfer agents but may be used for all routine uses of the SEC or of the ARAs. Information supplied on this Form will be included routinely in the public files of the ARAs and will be available for inspection by any interested person. Any member of the public may direct to the SEC any comments concerning the accuracy of the burden estimate on the application facing page of this Form, and any suggestions for reducing this burden. The Office of Management and Budget has reviewed this collection of information in accordance with the clearance requirements of 44 U.S.C. 3507. The applicable Privacy Act system of records is SEC-2. Form TA-2 is subject to the routine uses set forth at 40 FR 39255 (Aug. 27, 1975) and 41 FR 5318 (Feb. 5, 1976).

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	b.	During the reporting information reporter									iich
		Yes, filed amend No, failed to file Not applicable		ent(s)							
	c.	If the answer to sub-	section (b	) is no, pro	ovide an exp	lanation:					
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		If the r	esponse	to any of	f questions	4-11 below	is no	ae or zer	o, enter "0.'	,	
4.	Nu	mber of items receive	d for tran	sfer during	the reporti	ng period:	•••••		***************************************	379	_
5.	a.	Total number of ind System (DRS), divid									
	b.	Number of individual as of December 31:.	_			•		•	•	ints	_
	c. d.	Number of individual Approximate percent December 31:								-	– of
		Equity	Corporate Debt Securities	ŀ	Open-End nvestment Company Securities	Limited Partnersh Securitie	nip	Municip Secur		Other Securities	
					1 %	99%					
6.	Nu	mber of securities issu	les for wh	ich Regist	rant acted in	the following	capaci	ties, as of	December 31:		
					rporate curities	Open-End Investment Company	Par	imited tnership curities	Municipal Debt Securities	Other Securities	
				Equity	Debt	Securities					
	a.	Receives items for tr and maintains the ma securityholder files:	aster			3		20			
	b.	Receives items for tr but does not maintain master securityholde	n the								
	c.	Does not receive iter transfer but maintain	ns for s the								

3. a. Registrant's appropriate regulatory agency (ARA): (Check one box only.)

7.		ope of certain additional types of activities performed:
	а.	Number of issues for which dividend reinvestment plan and/or direct purchase plan services were provided, as of December 31:
	Ъ.	Number of issues for which DRS services were provided, as of December 31:
	ε.	Dividend disbursement and interest paying agent activities conducted during the reporting period:
		i. number of issues
		ii. amount (in dollars)
8.	a.	Number and aggregate market value of securities aged record differences, existing for more than 30 days, as of December 31:
		Prior Current Transfer Agent(s) Transfer Agent (If applicable)
		i. Number of issues 0
		ii. Market value (in dollars)
	b.	Number of quarterly reports regarding buy-ins filed by the Registrant with its ARA (including the SEC) during the reporting period pursuant to Rule 17Ad-11(c)(2):
	c.	During the reporting period, did the Registrant file all quarterly reports regarding buy-ins with its ARA (including the SEC) required by Rule 17Ad-11(c)(2)?
		X Yes No
		If the answers to subsection (c) is no, provide an explanation for each failure to file:
9.	a.	During the reporting period, has the Registrant always been in compliance with the turnaround time for routine items as set forth in Rule 17Ad-2?
		X Yes □ No
		If the answer to subsection (a) is no, complete subsections (i) through (ii).
		i. Provide the number of months during the reporting period in which the Registrant was not in compliance with the turnaround time for routine items according to Rule 17Ad-2.
		ii. Provide the number of written notices Registrant filed during the reporting period with the SEC and with its ARA that reported its noncompliance with turnaround time for routine items according to Rule 17Ad-2.
10.		mber of open-end investment company securities purchases and redemptions (transactions) excluding dividend, interest distribution postings, and address changes processed during the reporting period:  Total number of transactions processed:
	b.	Number of transactions processed on a date other than date of receipt of order (as ofs):

11. a. During the reporting period, provide the date of all database searches conducted for lost securityholder accounts listed on the transfer agent's master securityholder files, the number of lost securityholder accounts for which a database search has been conducted, and the number of lost securityholder accounts for which a different address has been obtained as a result of a database search:

Date of Database Search	Number of Lost Securityholder Accounts Submitted for Database Search	Number of Different Addresses Obtained from Database Search

b.	Number of lost securityholder accounts that have been remitted to states during the	2
	reporting period:	<u> </u>

SIGNATURE: The Registrant submitting this Form, and the person signing the Form, hereby represent that all the information contained in the Form is true, correct, and complete.

Manual signature of Official responsible for Form:	Title:
	DIRECTOR-AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY
	Telephone number:
4 4 outries	(212) 670-4214
Name of Official responsible for Form:	Date signed
(First name, Middle name, Last name)	(Month/Day/Year):
ROBERT MANFREDO	FEBRAURAY 21, 2002

ile Number	Supplement to Form TA-2	Supplement to Form TA-2			
for the reporting period nded December 31,	Full Name of Registrant				
e this schedule to provide the gaged as a service company to	name(s) and file number(s) of the named transfe perform transfer agent functions:	fer agent(s) for which the Registrant has been			
Name(s):		File No. (beginning with 84- or 85-			